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Dear Parent/Carer

### **School Meal Prices**

Let me start by saying thank you to parents/carers for working with the Trust over the last two years in supporting the change in school meal catering provision. Changes on such a scale always come with challenges and both the Trust and Mellors Catering Services have worked tirelessly to meet them.

It is clear that school meals catering, both borough and countrywide, has undergone much transformation during this time. Increased food and staffing costs have impacted significantly on the sector.

Unfortunately, the Trust is bearing the cost of these external inflationary price rises. School budgets have recently been agreed for the next academic year and beyond and it's clear that the Trust must act to mitigate the financial burden.

The Board has therefore made the difficult decision to increase school meal prices from 1 September 2024. The increase will be made in two stages as follows:

#### **From 1 September 2024**

- £2.65 per meal - Primary Schools
- £2.75 per meal - Secondary Schools

#### **From 1 November 2024**

- £2.85 per meal - Primary Schools
- £3.00 per meal - Secondary Schools

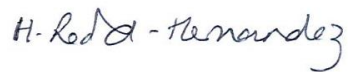
Sundry items served at secondary schools will also see inflationary price increases.

I hope that parents/carers will understand the Trust's reasoning behind the price increase and will continue to allow their children to use the school meals service provided by Mellors. It is more important than ever that all of our students have the opportunity to access a choice of tasty and nutritious food.

**If you think that your child may be eligible for a free school meal, please do contact your school office and they will be happy to support you in an application for this.**

Finally, may I wish everyone a happy, safe and restful summer.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "H. Redford-Hernandez". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'H' and 'R'.

Helen Redford-Hernandez  
Trust CEO